

Opportunities to Serve

Community Meal Helpers: Volunteers of all ages are needed on the first Tuesday of each month, beginning May 3, to assist with preparing, serving and cleaning up a community meal. Sign up today at the Welcome Desk or contact Barb at barb.burbridge@naz.org or 319-266-7589.

Bremwood Needs: Donations of bedding, shampoo, body wash, and deodorant are needed for Bremwood, a youth residential ministry partner located in Waverly. Donations may be left at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings or the Reception Desk during the week.

Kits and Quilts Work Day: All are invited to the Kits and Quilts work day tomorrow, Monday, May 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Come all day or any part of the day to help create beautiful quilts that we be given to those in need through Lutheran World Relief. Contact Barb Ericson at robert@ericson.net for more information.

Nazareth Gardens: Contact Pastor Denny at dennis.hanson@naz.org to sign up to help with planting and tending the NAZ gardens this spring and summer. Produce from the gardens is given away to those in need via the NAZ Food Pantry.

Renovations Update

A New Home: As we continue to pave the way for the All Hands on Deck kitchen remodel, we celebrate that the large Nazareth stoves have been donated and delivered to the First Baptist Church in Waterloo, where they will be used to prepare community meals and more. Reverend J.L. Greemore from First Baptist writes this:

"I would like to express deepest gratitude for the generous gift of not one, but two, quality commercial stovetop ovens. We are grateful beyond words at your thoughtfulness and careful delivery...Please accept our profound gratitude, along with the desire to be excellent stewards of this gift in ways that continue to honor our Lord and transform the Cedar Valley community."

Announcements



VBS Sign-Up: Online VBS registration for volunteers, for kids and for those who want to participate in Adult VBS will be available at www.naz.org beginning next Sunday, May 8. VBS is June 12-16 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.. Don't miss it!

Love Gifts: The Kits and Quilts team is selling "Love Gifts", monetary gifts given in honor of loved ones that help fund the purchase of materials for Kits and Quilts projects. These are great for Mother's Day and more! Please visit the Love Gifts table in Fellowship Hall today for more information or to make a purchase.

Blessed Beginnings is seeking one full-time lead teacher for Scooters. Hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please email Jackie, Director of Blessed Beginnings, at jackie.moyer@naz.org or call her at 319-266-2503.

Senior Fellowship Lunch Cancelled: Due to the kitchen construction, there will be no Senior Fellowship Lunch this Thursday, May 5.

Thank you for all of the prayers for Sue during her long illness, for the Pastoral staff visits, cards and memorial gifts and for all who helped in ways I did not see. Living in God's Grace...

~Greg Lyons and family.



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Living together in God's amazing grace, we invite all people to know Christ, grow in Christ, and make Christ known.

Nazareth Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Sunday Worship Services
8:30, 9:50 & 11:10 a.m.

Pastor Brian King
Senior Pastor
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Pastor Denny Hanson
Associate Pastor
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Pastor Bob Ericson
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Office Hours
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday

Connect with Nazareth
www.naz.org
twitter.com/mynazchurch
facebook.com/MyNazareth
instagram.com/mynazchurch

Prayer Chain
Call the church office to have your concern placed on the Prayer Chain.



"Vision"

"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you."

~John 14:18~

May 1, 2016

May 1, 2016 - Vision

Sermon - *Vision* - Pastor Dennis Hanson

Today's Texts - Acts 1:9-15; John 14:15-18, 22-31

8:30 a.m.

Prelude - *Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend* (Walther)

Gathering Hymn - **Glories of Thy Name are Spoken** - #358 (green)

Offering - *Bread of Life* (Raney)

- Nazareth Choir

Communion - **Children of the Heavenly Father** - #474 (green)

- **Jesus, Priceless Treasure** - #458 (green)

- **Go, My Children, With My Blessing** - #543 (green)

Postlude - *Praise the Lord* (Karg-Elert)

9:50 a.m.

Gathering Hymn - **Glories of Thy Name are Spoken**

Offering - **Jesus, Draw Me Close**

Communion - *Hungry*

Sending Song - **Go, My Children, With My Blessing**

11:10 a.m.

Opening Worship - **Unstoppable God**

Offering - **Good Good Father**

Communion - **Lord I Need You**

Closing Worship - **Open Up the Heavens**

Worship Assistants

Nathaniel Parrish - Director of Music (8:30/9:50)

Nicki Toliver - Nazareth Choir Director (8:30)

Kyle Brown - Reader (8:30)

Kevin Yoder - Reader (9:50)

Enrique Ochoa - Worship Leader (11:10)

Connie Hansen - Reader (11:10)

A Special Welcome to Our Visitors

Whether you're visiting from across town or out of state, we are so glad you are here! Please stop by the Welcome Desk for an information packet and special gift. Today's worship services are our gifts of praise and thanksgiving to God, and we welcome you here as our guests. Please contact Deb Rhoades at deb.rhoades@naz.org or 319-266-7589, ext. 101, regarding our Membership Class--**BELONG**.

As we live in response to God's amazing grace and love, the people of Nazareth value



NAZ Notes

Read It!

Read Acts, chapters 16, 17 and 18, taking special note of how Paul, Timothy and Silas, empowered by the vision of spreading the Gospel of Christ in Europe, graced the lives of Lydia, a jailer in Philippi and his family, and listeners in the towns of Thessalonica, Berea, Athens and Corinth.

Live It!

God gave clear direction to Paul in Acts 16:9 to 'Come to Macedonia and help us.' What has God said to you lately? Where do you have an "open door" for sharing your faith now? How will you take advantage of it this next week?

Check it Out!

Go to www.iowakidsnet.com to learn more about Iowa children in need of our prayers and who need loving Christians to provide caring foster and adoptive homes.

Mark Your Calendar

CHAOS and BIGHouse will have their final meetings for the 2015/2016 school year on Wednesday, May 4. For more details, go to www.cedarvalleystudents.org.

KidzRock and Confirmation Classes will have their final meetings for the 2015/2016 school year on Sunday, May 22.

Graduation Sunday is May 22 at 9:50 a.m. Parents of graduating Seniors need to send one childhood photo and one Senior photo, along with the student's Confirmation verse (if possible), to Kristina McBurney at kristina.mcburney@naz.org. Please submit these photos by Monday, May 10.

Events

High School Girls Retreat: All high school girls are invited to a "Brave Girl" retreat tonight, Sunday, May 1, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Orchard Hill Church coffee house. Featuring a video from Jen Hatmaker and real life stories focused on managing relationships with self, others and God, it will be an evening of spiritual empowerment and encouragement. Contact Ali Sheahan at sheahana@uni.edu for details.

Trip Lee Concert: Trip Lee--a chart-topping Christian rapper, inspirational church leader and author of "Rise: Get Up and Live In God's Great Story"--will be performing, along with KB, Tedashii and John Tha Gentile, at Orchard Hill Church on Friday, May 6, at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for general admission or \$40 for VIP admission. Go online to www.cedarvalleystudents.org/triplee to purchase tickets or for more information.



Today at Nazareth

The flowers at the altar are in memory of Louise Lundberg from Sheila Lundberg.

The flowers at the pulpit are in memory of Rex DaLavergne from Norma and family.

Known To Be Hospitalized (as of April 27)

Bernie Huss and Bill Graves

Our Deepest Sympathy

~to Francis Kreb as he mourns the death of his sister;

~to the family and friends of Vi Venter who passed away on April 10;

~to Shirley Juhl and Ross, Dave and Dan Juhl and their families at the death of husband and father, Everett Juhl, whose memorial service was held at Nazareth on Monday, April 25;

~to Elisabeth Aurand and her family as they mourn the loss of Wayne Aurand, whose memorial service was held at Nazareth on Saturday, April 30;

~ to Michelle Weidner on the death of her father, Kenneth Gard.

Baptized Today in the Chapel: Jase Aaron Gillett, son of Aaron Gillett and Melissa Spiegel



Open Heart—Open Door Project: If every church in Iowa had at least one more family serve as a foster care or adoptive family, children who are currently without homes in Iowa would no longer be waiting for a family. Learn more about how you can help by attending the Iowa KidsNet meeting today, following the 9:50 church service, in Room 151. For more information, go to www.iowakidsnet.com.